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TITLE

: OPTICAL DISK DEVICE

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ABSTRACT: PURPOSE: To enable sure reproduction of important data by dividing a storage region to sectors, recording user data, identification data of the user data, etc., into the respective sectors and subjecting the user data to replacement processing on the bases of the identification data.

> CONSTITUTION: The recording region of the optical disk is divided to the sectors and the identification data VU1 to VU4, the codes for error detection and correction of the data VU1 to VU4, etc., are recorded by each of the respective sectors together with the user data DO to D511, etc. The user data DO to D511 are subjected to reproduction, error correction, etc., on the basis of the user data VU1 to VU4. The important data are compared with a reference value which is small in bit error rate by the data VU1 to VU4 as a basis. The data DO to D511 is subjected to the replacement processing before the deterioration progresses. As a result, the important data, such as directory, is more surely reproduced.

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